

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-12 and 35 are currently pending in the application. By this amendment, claims 2 and 13-30 are canceled and claims 1, 3 and 5 are amended for the Examiner's consideration. The above amendments do not add new matter to the application and are fully supported by the specification. For example, support for the amendment to claim 1 is provided in original claim 2. Reconsideration of the rejected claims in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the indication that claims 2-4 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowable if presented in independent form. Accordingly, as claim 1 has been amended to recite the features of claim 2 and as withdrawn claims 13-30 have been canceled, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims 1, 3-12 and 35 are in condition for allowance for the following reasons.

35 U.S.C. §102 Rejection

Claims 1 and 35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) for being anticipated by U. S. Published Patent Application No. 2002/0081855 to JIANG et al. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

While Applicants do not agree that the invention is anticipated by JIANG, in order to advance prosecution, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of allowable claim 2.

Accordingly, the instant rejection is moot and claims 1 and 35 should be allowed.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection over claims 1 and 35 be withdrawn.

Rejoinder of Withdrawn Claims


Applicants submit that because claim 1 is now allowable, rejoinder of at least claims 5-12 and allowance of the same is now proper at least because they depend from claim 1.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that all of the claims are patentably distinct from the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, if needed. Applicant hereby makes a written conditional petition for extension of time, if required.

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Respectfully submitted,
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